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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF DEPARTMENT RESPONSE, IN FORM OF OCT 24
ARMITAGE-VASEV LETTER, TO SOVIET PROPOSAL FOR INTERIM
FREQUENCY LEVELS AFTER EXPIRATION OF PRESENT AGREEMENT:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 9 CONTAINING YOUR
GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSED FREQUENCY LEVELS FOR SCHEDULED
FLIGHTS DURING THE TIME PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 1, 1975
THROUGH MARCH 31, 1976.

THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IS WILLING, AS INDICATED
IN OUR CONVERSATION ON OCTOBER 4, TO CONSIDER A PROPOSAL
FOR THE INTERIM PERIOD OF NOVEMBER 1 THROUGH THE CONCLUSION
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OF OUR IMPENDING CIVIL AVIATION NEGOTIATIONS. IT WAS NOT

OUR INTENT AND WE ARE NOT PREPARED, HOWEVER, TO CONSIDER
AN INTERIM AGREEMENT COVERING THE ENTIRE WINTER SEASON.

WE CONTINUE TO DOUBT THAT THE AEROFLOT-PAN AMERICAN
AGREEMENT OF JUNE 27, 1975 PROMOTES EQUITABLE BENEFITS
FOR THE U.S.-DESIGNATED CARRIER. WE ARE, NEVERTHELESS,
PREPARED TO AGREE TO YOUR REQUEST FOR A MAXIMUM OF
THREE WEEKLY FLIGHTS FOR AEROFLOT AND TWO WEEKLY FLIGHTS
FOR PAN AMERICAN, BEGINNING NOVEMBER 1, 1975. THIS
ARRANGEMENT SHOULD CONTINUE UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 1975,
OR UNTIL A MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE ARRANGEMENT
IS REACHED IN THE COURSE OF THE BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS
TO CONVENE ON NOVEMBER 17. KISSINGER

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